

Missouri Sheep and Goats

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Total Sheep and Lamb Inventory Up 4 Percent

All sheep and lamb inventory on January 1, 2014, at 78,000 head, is up 4 percent from January 1, 2013. Breeding sheep inventory, at 67,000 head, is up 2 percent from last year. Market sheep and lambs on January 1, 2014, totaled 11,000 head, up 2,000 head from January 1, 2013. The 2013 lamb crop of 70,000 head was up 3 percent from 2012.

Wool production during 2013 totaled 260,000 pounds, down 4 percent from 2012. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 43,000 head, down 4 percent from 2012.

Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class - Missouri: January 1, 2013 and 2014

| Class | 2013 | 2014 | 2014 as percent of 2013 |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) |
| All sheep and lambs | 75.0 | 78.0 | 104 |
| Breeding sheep and lambs Ewes - one year old and older Rams - one year old and older Replacement lambs under one year old | 66.0 53.0 3.0 10.0 | 67.0 53.0 3.0 11.0 | 102 100 100 110 |
| Market sheep and lambs | 9.0 1.0 8.0 | 11.0 1.0 10.0 | 122 100 125 |
| | 2012 | 2013 | 2013 as percent of 2012 |
| Lamb Crop | 68.0 | 70.0 | 103 |

Meat and all other goat inventory totaled 84,200 head on January 1, 2014, up 3 percent from the previous year. Milk goat inventory, at 9,300 head, was down 7 percent from January 1, 2013. Angora goat inventory, at 1,500 head, was down 1,200 head from the previous year.

Goat Inventory by Class - Missouri: January 1, 2013 and 2014

| Class | 2013 | 2014 | 2014 as percent of 2013 | |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) | |
| Angora goats | 2.7 10.0 82.0 | 1.5 9.3 84.2 | 56 93 103 | |